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# Intelligence Report

Annex To

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## ANNEX TO DISTRIBUTION OF OPEC INVESTMENT: SEPTEMBER 1974

Sources and Assumptions

The tables in the main body of this report are based on the more detailed data in this Annex (see Tables S-1 through S-11). For each of the OPEC states except Qatar and the United Arab Emirates, known holdings of foreign official assets are shown by type of asset, geographic location, and currency, including the minimum amount in US dollars. The data in the country tables are minimum estimates, in that only observed holdings are included. Actual OPEC holdings of foreign official assets, however, probably do not substantially exceed those shown.

Table S-1 is a summation of the individual country tables plus an estimate of the foreign official holdings of Qatar, the United Arab Emirates (including the official holdings of Abu Dhabi and Dubai), and the Venezuelan Investment Fund.

In constructing the tables in the main body of this report, assumptions were made about the location and currency of those assets for which definitive information was not available. On 30 September 1974, Ecuador, Indonesia, and Libya held almost \$3.3 billion in foreign official assets whose location and currency composition were not known. It was assumed that:

• In Ecuador - 90% of the \$196 million in unidentified assets was held in dollars, and 10% in other currencies, and 90% was located in Caribbean and Central American financial markets, and 10% in continental European markets.

- In Indonesia 50% of the \$440 million in unidentified assets was held in dollars, and 50% in other currencies, primarily the Japanese yen, and 50% was located in Japan, and 50% in other Asian markets.
- In Libya 50% of the \$2,616 million in unidentified assets was held in dollars, and 50% in other currencies, primarily continental European currencies, and 90% was located in continental European financial markets, and 10% in other markets.

It was also assumed that the distribution of the foreign official assets of Qaiar, the United Arab Emirates, and the Venezuelan Investment Fund was the same as that of the known OPEC assets. These foreign holdings are believed to have totaled \$7.9 billion on 30 September.

#### Comparison with Other Reports

No reports comparable in detail and coverage are presently available. The International Monetary Fund's *International Financial Statistics*, however, reports members' international reserves; the Bank of England's *Quarterly Bulletin* presents selected data on money market holdings in the United Kingdom; and the Treasury Department's *Treasury Bulletin* 

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IMF data on members' international reserves on 30 September 1974 understate OPEC holdings by at least \$15.3 billion. Most of the difference is attributable to the omission of reserve assets held by the Kuwait Ministry of Finance, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, and the Venezuelan Investment Fund. In addition, Iran, Iraq, Nigeria, and Saudi Arabia have excluded \$1.8 billion in time deposits and government securities that should properly be included in the data they reported to the IMF.

Bank of England data on the OPEC states' UK money market holdings appear to be accurate. On 30 September, identified OPEC dollar assets held in the United Kingdom totaled \$13.6 billion, and identified sterling holdings \$5.9 billion. The Bank of England estimates that OPEC dollar holdings in the United Kingdom totaled

\$15.0 billion, and sterling holdings \$6.7 billion, on that date. The higher Bank of England figures include the UK money market holdings of Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, the Venezuelan Investment Fund, and Middle East oil producers who are not OPEC members.

US Treasury data understate OPEC assets in the United States on 30 September by at least \$2.3 billion. Kuwait's holdings are understated by at least \$1,330 million, Saudi Arabia's by \$240 million, and Venezuela's by \$738 million. Treasury data on other OPEC states' holdings appear to be accurate.

Table S-1

#### OPEC

### Foreign Official Assets · 30 September 1974

Million US \$

			Reserv	е Аннетн			
	Total	Total	Gold/SDRs IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets	Other OPEC Assets
Total	59,553 <sup>2</sup>	45,824	2,262	43	3,562	5,829	7,900 2
Minimum amount in US doilars	33,533	30,139	3	30	. 139	3,394	*   1.7.0
United States	12,771	11,896	367	6,817	4.712	875	
United Kingdom		,			.,,	070	•••
Dollars	14,492	13,592	***	13,592	0.4	900	
Sterling	6,097	5,864	•••	.5	.864	233	•••
Other currencies	361	355	•••	355	0	6	***
Continental Europe and Japan						Ü	•••
Pollars	5,060	3,488	***	3	,488	1,572	
Other currencies	3,599	3,053	***	3	.053	546	
IMF	1,390	1,390	846		514	****	•••
World Bank	861	668		***	668	193	
Other 5	7,022	5,518	1,049	-1	,469	1,504	•••

Table S-2

#### **ALGERIA**

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	1,987	316		.671	14
Minimum amount in US dollars	1,4161	2	1,316		0 8
United States	235	224	<del></del>	<del>''''                                 </del>	0
United Kingdom (dollars)	723	***	723	0	0
Other Europe					
Dollars	682	•••		1182	0
Other currencles	255	•••	255		0
IMF	89	89			
World Bank	0	140		•••	14
Other	3	3	0	0	0

Table S-3

#### **ECUADOR**

Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	343	34	309		3
Minimum amount in US dollars	113	1	113	() 2	0
United States	80	7	73	0	Ö
United Kingdom (dollars)	40	•••	40	0	0
IMF	18	18	•••	0	
World Bank	0	***		0	3
Other <sup>3</sup>	205	9		196	0

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Table 8-4

#### INDONESIA

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Ofher Knows Assess
Total	1,589	90	1,499		41
Minimum amount in US dollars	1,059	1	372	687	() 2
United States	800	0	113	687	0
United Kingdom (dollars)	259	***	259	0	0
IMF	88	88	•••	0	
World Bank	0	***	•••	0	41
Other	442	2	<del></del>	440	0

Table 8-5

#### **IRAN**

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Annets					
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets	
Total	6,5771	265	5,419	893	138	
Minimum amount in US dollars	5,972	9	5,079	893	03	
United States	1,076	65	501	510	ő	
United Kingdom				3.0	"	
Dollars	4,1834	•••	4,183	0	0	
Sterling	25	•••	25	Ö	0	
Switzerland				v	V	
Dollars	185	***	185	0	0	
Swiss francs	103	***	103	Ö	ő	
Other Europe				ų.	"	
Dollars	200	***	200	0	0	
Other currencies	212	•••	212	0	113	
Japan	10	•••	10	ő	0	
IMF	236	110	•••	126	**	
World Bank	257	•••	•••	257	 25	
Other	90	90	0	0	()	

Table S-6

#### IRAQ

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	3,623	229	3,213	181	709
Minimum amount in US dollars	1,467	2	1,310	157	0.3
United States	302	0	145	157	0
United Kingdom					
Dollars	0	•••	0	0	0
Sterling	24	***	0	24	0
Other currencies	6	•••	6	O	Ü
Switzerland					
Dollars	80	***	80	0	0
Local	76	***	76	0	0
Other Europe					
Dollars	430	***	430	0	0
Other currencies	1,449	***	1,449	0	0
Japan (dollars)	175	***	175	0	0
IMF	59	59	•••	0	0
World Bank	0	•••		0	9
Other 4	1,022	170	852	0	700

Table S-7

#### KUWAIT

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	6,6941	156	6	, 5,38	1,906
Minimum amount in US dollars	4.342	2	4,210	132	750
United States	$1,424^3$	12	1,374	38	750
United Kingdom					
Dollars	2,818	1+1	2,818	0.4	U
Sterling	1,800	***	1	.800	288
Other Europe					
Dollars	18	***	18	0	0
Local currencies	396	***	396	0	267
IMF	120	28	***	92	***
World Bank	$^{2}$	***		2	36
Other 5	116	116	0	0	620
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#### Table S-8

#### LIBYA

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRsi IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	3,682	108	3,574		4
Minimum amount in US dollars	958	1	226	732	0 2
United States	843	0	111	732	0
United Kingdom (dollars)	1153	•••	115	0	0
IMF	7	7		0	
World Bank	0	***		0 .	4
Other 4	2,717	101	2	2,616	0

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Table S-9

#### NIGERIA

#### Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	4,087 1	120	3	967	19
Minimum amount in US dollars	1,654	2	20	1,634	0 a
United States	1,638	0	4	1,634	0
United Kingdom	16		16	0	0
Dollars		•••		2,293	ő
Sterling	2,293	***			• •
IMF	96	96	***	0	•••
World Bank	0	***		0	19
Other	44	24	20	0	0

Table S-10

#### SAUDI ARABIA

Foreign Official Assets 30 September 1974

Million US \$

	Reserve Assets				
	Total	Gold/SDRs/ IMF Position	Bank Deposits	Government Securities	Other Known Assets
Total	12,1341	168	9,942	2.024	2.910
Minimum amount in US dollars	9,059	2	7.787	1,272	2,608
United StatesUnited Kingdom	2,082	0 a	. 1,138	944	122
Dollars	5,156	***	5,1564	0	900 5
Sterling	1,722	•••	1,128	594	0
Other Switzerland	349	•••	349	0	6
Dollars	77.40				
Cular farmer	748	***	748 6	0	2
Swiss francsOther Europe	155	•••	155	0	0
Dollars	745	***	745	0	1,570 5
Other currencies	220	***	220	Ö	144
IMF	263	40	•••	223	
World Bank	263	•••	***	263	18
Other	431	128	303 7	0	148